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LOOKING FOR SITE.

Location Selected by School Authorities Not Now Available.

Capt. E. H. Markham, Assistant Engineer Commissioner, yesterday afternoon accompanied Capt. James F. Oyster, president of the board of education, through the section bounded by Thirtieth and Sixteenth streets north of Spring road, in search of a site for an eight-room building.

Congress appropriated \$15,000 for the purchase of the site and a location was picked out, but before the District could arrange to make the purchase the site was included in a small subdivision and the property could not be obtained for the money available.

Watch for a city—Randle Highlands.

Hugh Harvey Recuperating.
Hugh Harvey, secretary of the National Association of Liquor Dealers, who has been seriously ill for the last two weeks with inflammatory rheumatism, was reported yesterday to be improved, and Dr. Dixon, the attending physician, states that his patient is now out of danger and will be able to leave his bed in a short time.

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plains of Speed Maniacs.

COMMISSIONER TAKES ACTION

F. W. Fitzpatrick Writes Most Vigorously to the Commissioners, Declaring that Automobiles Render Fourteenth Street, Near Piney Branch, Unsafe by Recklessness.

Declaring that Fourteenth street from Park road out to Piney Branch road, along which there is no walkway or pavement, has been made a speedway by automobilists and street car motormen, and that in disregard of all law and public safety drunken speed maniacs in motor cars race over that thoroughfare, F. W. Fitzpatrick, of 4200 Piney Branch road, yesterday filed a vigorous protest with the Commissioners, asking for protection.

He not only asks the speed maniacs be made to conform to the regulations, but that a narrow trail or footpath be constructed for pedestrians.

Commissioner Macfarland believes that action should be taken to relieve the conditions which Mr. Fitzpatrick describes, and has begun the matter by asking the Engineer Commissioner to consider what remedy he can apply, and will also ask the Major and Superintendent of Police to consider what they can do about it.

A Vigorous Protest.

Mr. Fitzpatrick in his protest says: "I have a suggestion to respectfully submit. It concerns an important matter, and I am profoundly interested in it, as a fellow man well be when the lives of his children and friends and his own depend upon your decision in the premises. 'Fourteenth street, from Park out here, has become a major thoroughfare. There is absolutely no provision for pedestrians; they have to walk on the tracks or in the mud.

The road has become popular with automobilists. The allowed rate of speed for them and for street cars is excessive, twenty miles, and is more often exceeded than not. It is a speedway, and leading to the clubs, as it does, many drivers are extra-stimulated to wondrous efforts in that line. I've seen them travel at fifty miles an hour and over.

"Accidents are common, and the car company is not exempt, for some of the motormen are an utterly reckless as the drunken speed maniacs in motor cars. It is only a question of time when an appalling slaughter will occur, and the District government will be party to it and deserve blame for not having at least made an effort to prevent what is inevitable under present conditions.

Lower Speed Rate.

"If there is no appropriation for clearing and maintaining at least a narrow trail of a footpath at one side or the other of Fourteenth street, then reduce the speed limit to the city rate, and then enforce it. One motormen with several square miles of beat is utterly powerless; a bicycle officer constantly on that street, for at least awhile, might do some good.

"Or if it be deemed politic and commendable to give the street over to the automobile club and street railway, then please hurry along the macadamizing of that while the District is let us use the half of Piney Branch bridge that is completed for driving and walking. The contractor can at little trouble do his work on the other half without cutting off that possible route for another seven months.

"This is no idle plaint or crank, but a serious prayer. The conditions are intolerable and can be remedied. For the authorities to remain inactive in the matter will mean, I am convinced, nothing short of wholesale butchery, to which the city will be a party through contributory negligence.

"I know that you will act, and vigorously."

Commissioners Reply to Dr. Pyle.

In answer to a complaint made by Dr. R. A. Pyle, of Anacostia, that he had been unable to get charity patients into the free wards of Providence Hospital, the Commissioners have pointed out that one-half of the expense of destitute residents of the District in that hospital, they are without authority to direct the expenditure. The sundry civil bill passed by the last Congress, placed that authority in the hands of the Surgeon General of the United States army.

SCHOOL OFFICIALS COMPLAIN.

Workmen Said to Leave Rubbish About the Buildings.

Officials of the District public schools have complained to the Commissioners that workmen engaged under Municipal Architect Ashford in making repairs to school buildings have left piles of rubbish about the buildings.

Mr. Ashford has asked for specific cases, saying that he personally visited sixteen of the school buildings on which repairs have been made during the present summer, and had failed to find a single instance where piles of rubbish had been left by the workmen.

FIRE NEAR HOSPITAL.

Inmates and Attendants Excited at Casualty When Alarm is Given.

A small fire in stables in the rear of Casualty Hospital about 8 o'clock yesterday morning caused excitement which was bordering on panic when it became known the blaze had been extinguished. The cause of the fire was not learned by the police. It is thought a careless dropped match started it.

Stable employees beat out the flame before the arrival of firemen. The cry of "fire," followed by the clanging of bells, caused physicians, nurses, attendants, and patients to grow nervous for a few minutes, but excitement subsided when word went around, "it's out."

Damage estimated at about \$50 resulted from a fire in a building at 510 Tenth street northwest, occupied by the Chipman Electric Company. A match accidentally lighted set fire to a window sill. An alarm was sounded at the noon hour, and a large throng followed engine and truck companies to the scene of the blaze.

WAR WAGED ON CATERPILLARS

Hundreds of Trees Devastated by Insidious Pest.

Force of Men at Work Destroying Insects in Downtown Section. Elm Trees Affected Most.

War is being relentlessly waged by gangs of men armed with hose, fighting the caterpillars that are infesting many shade trees of the city. The work is being directed by Superintendent of Park-Lanham.

In some sections of the city the caterpillars multiplied so fast in the foliage that before the men assigned to the work could reach the infected districts, the trees were practically denuded. For blocks this condition obtains.

The stately American elms seem to be the favorite breeding places of the insects, who attach themselves to all parts of these trees and in a short time where there was beauty and an abundance of foliage, the limbs of the trees are bare as if a fire had swept over them. Lindens and silver maples come in for large attention.

The greatest damage is noticeable in the downtown section, in the territory bounded by New Jersey avenue, Eleventh and H streets, and Pennsylvania avenue northwest. Three years ago the caterpillars made their appearance in the downtown section and by good work their spread has been confined to the territory mentioned above. Every spring the trees are washed and the trunk cleared of the larvae, but notwithstanding this work, the insects have appeared every year.

Superintendent Lanham believes that with a more liberal appropriation by Congress for the care and maintenance of the trees he can exterminate these insects. Unless their spread is checked, every tree in the District is liable to become infested with the caterpillars. Last year the department had to contend with the elm beetle, but it was exterminated and has not reappeared this summer.

ASKS POLICE TO FIND WIFE.

William Lynch Cannot Explain Reason for Disappearance of Spouse.

William Lynch, an employee at the navy yard, living at Tennallytown, last night asked the police to find his wife, who disappeared from her home on Tuesday morning last. The husband showed concern over the absence of his wife. He declared he could not explain it.

Lynch said he ate breakfast at home on Tuesday morning and departed for the navy yard. Mrs. Lynch appeared in good humor and bade him good-bye. There was no quarrel mentioned, and the husband, and he was surprised on returning home to find his wife absent.

At nightfall he grew anxious. He waited until midnight for his wife, but she did not return. He was unable to sleep, and was out of bed yesterday morning at daylight, ready to begin a search for the missing woman. He searched without result, and then appealed to the police for aid.

CHILDREN ASK DAMAGES.

Traction Company Sued for Death of Mrs. Cotton.

The suit of Harriet T. Lipp, administratrix of the estate of Sarah E. Cotton, vs. the Capital Traction Company, an action of negligence to recover damages of \$10,000 was entered yesterday in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia.

The suit was filed on behalf of the four surviving children of Mrs. Cotton, known more familiarly as Mrs. Thompson, the declaration alleging that she died April 22 last, from injuries sustained the day previous, when she was struck by two street cars, running in opposite directions on B street southeast.

Mrs. Thompson was said to be the only woman borne on the rolls of the Pension Bureau, and, at the department, where she was employed, as a soldier of the United States. During the civil war she rendered efficient service to the Union cause by assisting in the discovery of the hiding place of Gen. John T. Morgan.

The District of Columbia was made defendant in a \$10,000 damage suit brought by Llewellyn Melzer, who alleged injuries sustained April 5 last, by falling over the top of a manhole, which projected above the sidewalk of Seventh street northwest.

Carrier Pigeon Found.

Perched upon the railing of the inner court of the Post-office building, a handsome blue-black carrier pigeon was found yesterday morning about 9 o'clock by an employee of the department. The bird was much exhausted when captured, and appeared to have traveled a considerable distance, although no message of any kind was found upon it, with the exception of a metal band, inscribed, "T. Y. 3821." Food was furnished the wanderer by the clerks, after parading of which the pigeon continued its journey.

CODE IS DEFECTIVE

Case of W. M. Watson Calls Attention to Crudities.

HIS PARDON DENIED BY TAFT

By What Lawyers Declare Is Poor Classification of Offenses, Prisoner Received Unnecessarily a Severe Sentence for What Is Usually Called Petit Larceny—Behavior Good.

In a striking manner, President Taft, by his action in a pardon case, has illustrated the crudities of some portions of the District police code.

He has been impelled to deny a commutation of sentence to William M. Watson, a Washington prisoner, whose conduct at Mountville has been exemplary. The officials of the penal institution and others have testified to this fact, and, as he was approaching the completion of a severe sentence, it was thought that a pardon would be procured without difficulty.

Watson's case is one which has excited the sympathy of many citizens who were not moved by the motives of friendship. By a peculiar combination of circumstances, he received one of the most drastic sentences for a crime, which rightly belonged to the petit larceny class, ever meted out in this city.

Stole Diamond Pin.

Watson entered the shop of a tailor named Reed, in F street, in the spring of 1906, and stole a diamond pin worth \$30. It was said he was under the influence of liquor at the time. He rushed out of the shop, and was easily apprehended by the police when running down the street. He was prosecuted under this provision of the District police code:

"All persons who, by force or violence, whether against resistance or by sudden and stealthy seizure, or snatching, or by intimidation, shall take from the person, in immediate action, any possession, shall be guilty of the crime of robbery."

Watson was given a five-year sentence, beginning his term of imprisonment June 5, 1906, and with good time allowance his term will expire on February 9, 1910. As there are only six months of the sentence to serve, it was believed that President Taft would grant a pardon, as Watson has proved an excellent prisoner and indicated that he was well equipped to earn an honest living in the world.

President Taft did not refer directly to the District code, but said, in denying the pardon petition: "I regret exceedingly to differ with the Attorney General, but the District attorney's recommendation makes me feel I should use in raising the required amount of money, and the taking of proper measures to insure good construction work, and the wise expenditure of funds developed the fact that the meeting was unanimous in favor of immediate action, and the issuance of long term bonds of a sufficient amount to do the necessary work in a thorough manner, and with proper restrictions as to the disbursement of the money."

As a nucleus for a larger and permanent organization the meeting organized with Dr. J. Taber Johnson, as chairman, and Frank Upman, as secretary. A committee was elected, consisting of Dr. J. Taber Johnson, William C. Wilbert, Admiral P. M. Hix, Andrew B. Graham, and George E. Garrett, the county engineer, with instructions to report in two weeks a comprehensive plan for carrying on the work and raising the required funds by bond issue or long term bonds of a sufficient amount to do the necessary work in a thorough manner, and with proper restrictions as to the disbursement of the money.

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As soon as the necessary data can be collected and the details of the plan worked out, a general mass meeting of citizens will be called, and the matter presented to them for consideration.

CITIZENS' PROTEST RENEWED.

Residents of H Street Complain of Heavy Cars Operated.

The second protest of property owners along H street northeast against the use of the street car tracks along that thoroughfare by the electric trains of the Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis Railway into the heart of this city, was filed with the Commissioners yesterday by Attorney A. L. Newmyer.

Among the signers are: C. Reagan, John T. Cole, M. D., William C. Reagan, H. A. Garman, C. Greuby, B. Rosenthal, W. H. Burch, Mrs. L. Beuchert, B. Klawans, F. J. McDonald, W. B. England, A. W. Sieverling, M. B. Korman, Samuel J. Brown, A. Saks, W. A. McCarthy, and many other residents, business men, and property owners in that section of the city.

The protest part of July C. Reagan, chairman of the committee of protestants filed the original protest. Replying to this the Commissioners advised Mr. Reagan "that it is deemed entirely proper that the cars of that company be permitted to travel along H street from the present terminus to the Treasury Building. The present H street line is to be re-enforced, so as to carry the heavier traffic to which it will be subjected, and it is not believed that there will result any such vibrations as are referred to by you."

"The Commissioners do not believe that any necessity exists for granting a hearing in this case."

Attorney Newmyer said last night that a mass meeting of the citizens of Northeast Washington had been called for tomorrow night to express their disapproval of the use of that street by the Baltimore and Annapolis line.

Turners Granted License.

Notwithstanding a vigorous protest made by property owners and residents in the neighborhood of Columbia Turnverein, 925 M street northwest, that a retail liquor license be refused that club, the exclusive board yesterday issued the license as applied for by the organization. Several of the protestants withdrew their objections, and a number of members of Congress addressed a petition to the board requesting that the license be granted.

Home of 100 Ideas Sells at Profit.

Shannon & Luchs report the sale of the three-story brick residence at 24 Bryant street northwest, which is the house won by C. C. Mayer from the Washington Herald in the recent prize contest. This property has been sold to Tolbert Lanston, who will occupy it as his home, and the consideration is understood to have been more than \$5,850.

LOCAL MENTION.

EXCURSIONS TO-DAY.

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White House—Open 10 a. m. to 2 p. m.

United States Capitol—Open 9 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. State, War, and Navy Departments—Open 9 a. m. to 2 p. m. (The original Declaration of Independence is in the library at the State Department.)

United States Treasury—Open 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

United States Patent Office—Open 9 a. m. to 2 p. m.

United States Pension Bureau—Open 9 a. m. to 4 p. m.

Bureau of Engraving and Printing—Open 9 a. m. to 2:30 p. m.

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